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operated. We've had numerous accidents on a little lake in Hastings that's not a very large lake. And, certainly, the bill is going to improve with the distances that it has in there, I think, the safety. It just seems to me that we still maintain the portion where they would have to take the boating course. It just moves the age up to 16- or 17-year-olds. And I'm willing to answer questions. I know Senator Schrock has always been in opposition to this and many people will point out that it's, you know, the other age groups from alcohol that cause problems. But I just cannot imagine that we could possibly come to the determination that 14-year-olds are perfectly capable of operating a jet ski that goes 85 miles an hour with no brakes. I...I'm not sure 16-year-olds or 17-year-olds are adults but, certainly, I do not...I offer you this amendment, leave it up to you. We'll have the discussion and see if you agree or don't agree, and so I will answer any questions. Currently, on the issue raised earlier with the bill, 14-year-olds with a boating safety course or 14-year-olds with no course and someone over age, that Senator Smith was pointing out, over age 17, then you're going to put two people on the jet ski, which even makes less sense. And so I don't know why that was originally left in the bill, and that issue, I think, was brought to our attention by Senator Smith. And, Senator Smith, this does also apply to motorboats so I just didn't do jet skis. So we do both motorboats and jet skis, and I will try to answer any questions anyone may have, and I relinquish the rest of my time to the Chair.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Bohlke. For discussion on the Bohlke amendment, Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature, it'll come as no surprise to Senator Bohlke that I oppose this amendment. At some point in time, I suppose we're going to have to legislate that our teenagers not have any fun. I don't know how you can legislate responsibility in this, but I want to tell you what other states are doing. There are 4 out of our 50 states that have no age minimums on jet skis. There are 19 where you can ride a jet ski at age 12. Yes, there are 19, and there are 12 states where you can operate a jet ski at age 13 or 14, and there are 3 that you can operate a jet ski at age 15. There are only 11 states where they have put a minimum